

Greenbelt's Labor Day Festival Full of Food, Music and Fun



PHOTO BY AMY HANSEN

With the 2018 Labor Day Festival only a day away, Greenbelt Public Works employees set up the picnic tables for bingo on the Community Center lawn.

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It's here! The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival. That means it's time to dance in the parking lot. Hunt for a book. Sing along with the band. Play bingo. Get an

aerial view of the town from the ferris wheel. And, of course, eat fantastic festival food found only at this time of the year. Here is an overview of what will be happening:

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Summer Earth Squad Helps Hots Team Test Compost

by Hally Ahearn



PHOTO BY HALLY AHEARN

CHEARS Summer Earth Squad members Xavier Gloster, Ta'niyah Derrington, Evesa Wright, Jeanaya Edmond, and in front, Dominic Gloster, hold germination test cups.

Members of the Hots Team, a community of about 30 people who bring their food scraps to the hot compost station across the parking lot from the Springhill Lake Recreation Center, recently sifted their first compost (see August 9, 2018 News Review article "Travis' Trommel Sifter Shifts To Franklin Park Test Mode" on page 1). As they sifted, one member took sifted compost samples harvested from the top area of the curing bin, then from the middle and later the bottom of the bin, setting them aside in plastic bags labeled Top, Middle, Bottom.

The hot composting group had made an agreement with the

Springhill Lake Summer Earth Squad children to create a germination test, using the compost samples. Hally Ahearn met with the children to do just that early on Tuesday, August 14.

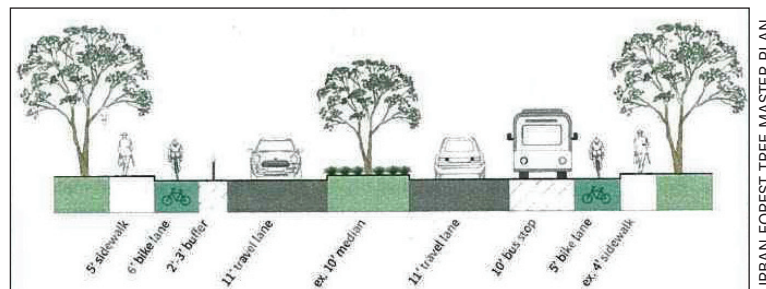
Each Earth Squad member picked a cup and helped to label each one. The young scientists learned as they filled the cups that they would have two controls in the test: a sample of potting soil and some cured compost from Howard County, called HoCoGro. Then they added the Springhill Lake neighborhood's hot composting samples to each of three cups. Now to each of

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Tree Experts Call for Steps To Sustain the City's Trees

by Donna L. Hoffmeister

Greenbelt's tree canopy is measured at an impressive 62 percent, far higher than Baltimore's 20 percent. In other words, when looking down at Greenbelt from the sky, 62 percent of what one would see are the tops of trees. Having so many trees is worth \$1.3 million to the city annually, according to Shirley Vaughn of the Davey Tree Expert Company. She noted that because of its trees Greenbelt has less stormwater runoff, less air pollution and more carbon sequestration than other cities. Greenbelters also have fewer problems with allergies, lower energy costs, increased property



One green street concept from Cherrywood Lane Study

values and less stress overall according to the Urban Forest Tree Master Plan Vaughn presented to council on August 20. Brian Townsend, Public Works arborist and members of the Advisory Committee on Trees (Charles

Jackman, Ethel Dutky and Bob Trumble) were also present at the council worksession. Despite this rosy assessment of the value of Greenbelt's many trees, Vaughn

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Prince George's Public Schools Open Tuesday, September 4

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School opens for all Prince George's County Public Schools

What Goes On

Friday, August 31
6:30 to 7:15 p.m., Labor Day Festival Opening Ceremonies, Main Stage
Wednesday, September 5
8 p.m., Council Worksession with Verizon, Community Center
Saturday, September 8
11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Pooch Plunge, Aquatic & Fitness Center

on September 4, right after the Labor Day Festival. Check the school's website for start and end times.

Orientation

Orientation Day for Pre-K and kindergarten students will be Thursday, August 30. Orientation Day for new middle schoolers starting sixth and seventh grades, as well as new ninth graders will be Friday, August 31. Orientation Day helps prepare students for their new grade, advising them on what they can expect and helping them adjust to any changes. Students will learn about their new school and meet staff members. Buses will pick up and drop off students at their regular times and bus stop locations. Parents with questions can contact their child's school or visit the

individual school's website for more details.

Bus Stop Tips

Parents of registered students should receive a letter that specifies the bus stop location, route number and pick-up and drop-off times. Parents can also search for their child's bus stop at pgcps.org/student-transportation. For transportation questions or concerns, a transportation phone bank at 301-952-6570 will operate Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

School Meal Prices

School meal prices remain the same as last year: student breakfast, \$1.60; elementary lunch, \$2.75; secondary lunch, \$3.00. Forms to apply for reduced-price

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Letters to the Editor

Rolling Billboards

I am writing this to urge the city council to take action to prohibit the parking of ‘rolling billboards’ on our city streets. As I write this there is one parked on Southway in front of my residence. It is for a business that claims its office is in Baltimore.

I pay city taxes, as do my fellow Greenbelt residents and business owners, many of whom rely on street parking for our vehicles, and those of our visitors or customers. I see no reason that vital public parking (which on Southway is limited at best) be ceded to blatant advertising methods. I for one would be loath to utilize the services of an individual or company that resorted to this type of advertising scheme.

Perhaps current city parking regulations allow this activity to occur on our public streets and parking lots, so police can do nothing. I formally request that the city council take up this matter, draft and enact the needed rules and remove these visual eyesores from Greenbelt’s beautiful streets and neighborhoods.

Tim Uber

Conflicted Cell

One almost has to laugh at the picture painted by the News Review of someone hanging out a second floor window to get a cell signal. I know I have to go out on my front porch. The poor cell service in Greenbelt has been the butt of many jokes, and severely limits the choice of carrier to one: Verizon. Signals for the other carriers are way too spotty.

Yet not more than 18 months ago, a proposal to build a tower at Eleanor Roosevelt High School was defeated by many of the same people hanging out their windows looking for the signal that tower would have provided for safely. Greenbelt is not unique nor even the first NIMBY (Not In My Back Yard) community.

The fact is that wireless technology must have some land based infrastructure within a fairly short distance to work.

We all know the standard prickly mess of antennae on open frame towers, on ground-level water tanks, and that hideous excuse for hiding a cell tower as a “tree” on the ICC near Layhill Road. I roar with laughter every time I go by it.

Most folks that commute into D.C. probably are not aware they pass more than one well-disguised cell tower daily. Ever see one of those thicker-than-normal flag poles? Yup. That’s a cell tower! One flagpole can service five different wireless companies. One manufacturer produces flagpole-antennae in a range of 50’ to 150’ tall. No appendages. No protrusions. No fake branches. A white pole with a gold top. Think of where they could be placed to cover Greenbelt: City Hall, Police Station, Pool, Springhill Lake Rec Center, Greenbelt Middle School, Greenbelt Elementary and of course, Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Not all would need to be outfitted. A wireless engineer would have to map coverage, and the city could stipulate a flagpole-type and maximum height.

The community of Great Falls, the power and money pit on the Virginia side of the Potomac,

had similar problems due to their size, terrain and their sensibilities. Their council figured it out back in 2005 – they chose to go with a Distributive Antenna System (DAS) rather than discrete towers. A box, much like the Comcast relay boxes would be mounted on a telephone pole. There would be a “can” that sits atop the same pole, housing the necessary antennae inside. In Great Falls, the can is about 4’to 5’ tall, and maybe 2’to 3’ in diameter, by my guess. They are painted the same color as the pole. I’ve been up and down Georgetown Pike countless times during those 13 years, and just noticed them a week ago. As these are not full-functioning cell towers, but work as part of an array to be used where cell service is spotty, there would need to be more of them – Great Falls has them placed between a half mile to one mile apart.

Of course, the cell companies would like one antenna to do it all – on the cheapest structure to build – either the open frame Erector-Set type or the monopole-with-a-hat type. As far as I’m aware, the cell company also has to lease the land the tower is on. Another reason they want a single tower.

There are ways to have decent cell service without hanging out a window, yet retain the sightlines afforded in Greenbelt.

Frank Kayser

BlackKkKlansman: Go see the Movie

I recommend Spike Lee’s compelling thriller, BlackKkKlansman, now playing at the Old Greenbelt Theatre. The plot follows the first African-American detective in the Colorado Springs police department, who sets out to infiltrate and expose the local chapter of the Ku Klux Klan.

In a forward, the movie shows clips from the very popular D.W. Griffith’s 1915 film The Birth of a Nation. This is explained in a review, worth reading:

“How Spike Lee Used ‘BlackKkKlansman’ To Get Revenge On One Of The Most Racist Movies Ever Made” (screencrush.com/blackkkklansman-birth-of-a-nation-griffith/), which details the many similarities of the two opposing films.

One quote from Lee: “At NYU they showed the film [The Birth of a Nation], talked about the great innovations that D.W. Griffith came up with ... well, they never talked about how this film was used as a recruiting tool for the Klan and was responsible for black people getting lynched. The faculty took it [Lee’s short film called The Answer] like I was attacking the father of cinema, so they [tried to kick] me out.”

I also found on the web this piece of history: “The movies bear their own responsibility for the KKK in the first place, of course: specifically D.W. Griffith’s notorious The Birth of a Nation, which gave the virtually defunct Klan of the 1910s a fresh creation myth, a blockbuster recruitment film, and some new ritual suggestions (the movie popularised cross-burning).”

From: “From Birth of a Nation to BlackKkKlansman:

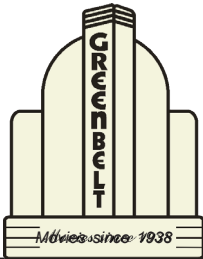
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Correction

We inadvertently maligned a slider turtle in a photo accompanying our August 16 story about a great blue heron trapped by a snapping turtle. Alert reader and declared turtle aficionado Lynne Larkin of Glenn Dale gave us the heads up that the turtle pictured was not the aggressive snapper, but an innocent bystander. The pictured turtle had opportunity and possibly motive, but apparently lacks the weaponry to assault and restrain a bird the size of the heron. To read more about the size and lifestyle of the common snapping turtle, go to https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Common_snapping_turtle.

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BLACKKKLANSMAN (CC) (R) (2018) (135 mins)
Fri. 2:00, 5:00, 8:00 PM
Sat. 5:00, 8:00 PM
Sun. 12:00 (OC), 5:00 PM
Mon. 5:00, 8:00 PM
Tues. 5:00, 8:00 PM
Wed. 2:00, 5:00, 8:00 PM
Thurs. 5:00, 8:00 PM

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Mon. 1:00 PM

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Community Events



Labor Day Tennis Social and Picnic

On Saturday, September 1 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Greenbelt Tennis Association (GTA) will sponsor a tennis social at the Greenbriar Condominium courts, 7600 Hanover Parkway. GTA will provide drinks, snacks and a cookout with hamburgers and hot dogs. Bring a potluck dish to share. This event is free to GTA members, with a nominal fee for non-members. To RSVP or for more information, send an email to rsvp_gta@outlook.com, call 301-715-3632 or visit greenbelt.com/tennis.

Ribbons Awarded For Best Photos

Both adults and children (under 12) are invited to enter up to two photographs per person in the Labor Day Festival Photo Show. Categories include Greenbelt Memories, Families, Children, Wildlife, Pets and more. Bring ready-to-hang photos and completed registration forms to the Community Center, Room 114 between 5 and 7 p.m. on Thursday, August 30 or Friday, August 31. There is no charge to enter. For more information, contact Keith and Janet Zevallos at 301-982-0850, email laborday_photoshow@yahoo.com or go online at greenbeltlaborday.com.

Toastmasters Meet

The Greenbelt Toastmasters Club will meet on Wednesday, September 5 at 7:30 p.m. in the Social Hall of Greenbelt Community Church at Hillside and Crescent Roads. The group offers professionals, students, stay-at-home parents and retirees a supportive environment to improve skills in communication and leadership. For more information call 240-542-8625.

Sing Solidarity

Members of the DC Labor Chorus will perform and lead a sing-along of labor and social justice songs at the New Deal Café on Monday, September 3 from 2 to 4 p.m. Song sheets will be provided. Everyone is welcome to sing, hum, or sign along.

At MakerSpace

Is anything really free? The thoughtful discussion group at MakerSpace will reflect on whether you can ever really get something for nothing on Tuesday, September 4, from 7 to 9 p.m. All are welcome.

Next Blood Drive Is September 7

The next drive is scheduled for Friday, September 7 from 12:30 to 6 p.m. at the Community Center, Room 201.



American Legion Labor Day Picnic

After enjoying Greenbelt Labor Day Festival events, continue the fun at Greenbelt American Legion Post 136 Labor Day Family Picnic on Monday, September 3 from 2 to 6 p.m. Entertainment for children includes games, moon bounce, balloon toss, sack races, fire truck rides and face painting. Adult activities include a horseshoe tournament, tug-of-war and balloon toss. The day's activities will be complemented by DJ-provided music and good food such as pit-cooked beef, hot dogs, hamburgers, sides, soft drinks and cold beer. The Legion is located at 6900 Greenbelt Road. Call 301-345-0136 for more information.

Labor Day Festival Board Game Event

Greenbelt Unplugged presents Board Games at the Labor Day Festival on Sunday, September 2 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Youth Center Conference Room. Come out to play, meet neighbors and have some unplugged fun. Or just come to get out of the heat, away from the noise and the smell of funnel cakes, and pass out over a game of Boggle. Games will be available, but feel free to bring your own favorites.

Arts Advisory Board Meets September 6

The Greenbelt Arts Advisory Board will meet next on Thursday, September 6 at 7 p.m. for a public art work session with city council. Among the topics to be discussed are staff recommendations regarding procedures for implementing the board's draft public art policy and an update on plans for an arts happy hour. For additional information, contact Nicole DeWald, staff liaison, at ndewald@greenbeltmd.gov. For information about Greenbelt arts programs, visit greenbeltmd.gov/arts.



More Community Events
are located throughout
the paper.

Utopia Film Festival

Presents:

"Kids' Shorts," (2010)
"Redemption Stone,"
"The Girl & the Fox"

**Sunday, Sept. 2nd, Wed., Sept. 5th, and Fri., Sept. 7th,
Beginning at 8 PM**

On Greenbelt Access Television, Inc. (GATe)
Comcast 77 & Verizon Fios 19 Channels

GCAN Provides Info On Community Solar

On Wednesday, September 5 from 7 to 9 p.m., the Greenbelt Climate Action Network meeting will feature an informative discussion of purchasing community solar energy. Community solar projects are accepting customers now and spots are filling up fast. How is it different than buying wind power or other clean energy options? Find out the options and all the latest on this brand new program that's rapidly changing how to buy solar power in Maryland. Join Gary Skulnik, longtime climate activist and founder of Neighborhood Sun, for a conversation and Q&A. As always, the last portion of the evening will be for announcements and updates on local and national issues. The meeting will be held at the Community Center, Room 114. For more information, contact Lore Rosenthal, Greenbelt Climate Action Network, lore@simplicity-matters.org, 301-345-2234.

GHI Notes

Friday, August 31, office closed at noon, Employees' Annual Picnic. Emergency maintenance service available at 301-474-6011. Saturday, September 1, 11 a.m., Pre-purchase Orientation, Board Room. Monday, September 3, office closed, Labor Day. Emergency maintenance service available at 301-474-6011. Wednesday, September 5, 7 p.m., Addition Maintenance Program Task Force Meeting, Board Room. Thursday, September 6, 10 a.m., Storm Water Management Task Force Meeting, Board Room, 7:45 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting, Board Room. Friday, September 7, office closed. Emergency maintenance service available at 301-474-6011.

Greenbelt Park Event

Friday, August 31, Anacostia River Watershed Cleanup. Meet at Greenbelt Park to help clean a portion of the Anacostia River watershed. The cleanup is part of the 100th anniversary of Anacostia Park in the celebration of the Year of the Anacostia. Wear clothes that can get dirty and sturdy boots. Gloves and bags are supplied. Pre-registration is required through the Event Brite link at nps.gov/gree. Meet at the Sweetgum Picnic Area at 9 a.m.

Women in Astronomy

How many women astronomers can you name? Women in the physical sciences have too often been hindered in terms of professional advancement, and the stories of many female astronomers throughout history are not well known. The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt welcomes all to hear Dr. Geneviève de Messières of the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum's Phoebe Waterman Haas Public Observatory. She will tell the stories of five women who influenced or are influencing the field and will lead a discussion of strategies to become better advocates for women in astronomy. This event will take place on Thursday, August 30 at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Center, Room 114.



Why Must I Be A Teenager in Love?

Led by its always-edgy founder/director/writer William Leary, the Wolfpack Theater Company brings Spring Awakening, a tender coming-of-age story of two teenage lovers, to the Greenbelt Arts Center. Based on Frank Wedekind's 1891 German play, it has morphed into a successful Broadway rock musical (eight Tony Awards) with book and lyrics by Steven Sater and music by Duncan Sheik. The play is a fundraiser for its co-producer, Community Crisis Services, Inc., whose efforts in suicide prevention, domestic violence victim support, sheltering the homeless or simply lending a compassionate ear, have helped many. Find out how Leary and company have modernized this entertaining tale of youthful revolt, sexual awakening and the tension between individual integrity and social responsibility. The play runs from September 14 to 30.

Democratic Club First Fall Meeting

While the club's membership enjoyed getting together for food and baseball at a BaySox game last week and will provide tasty treats at the Labor Day Festival, Club President Nicole Williams is busy arranging to secure a featured speaker to discuss the issues of the upcoming Maryland election. The guest will appear at the club's general membership meeting on Friday, September 28, 7:30 p.m. at the Greenbriar Community Building. (Note: the club's previous article erred in providing the date; note instead the date of September 28.) The club has begun its efforts to register voters, devoting time at the Giant storefronts in Greenbelt and Lanham earlier this month. If you would like to register, assist in this good work or learn more about upcoming activities, contact Nicole Williams at 202-321-4207 or view the club's website at Rooseveltclub.com.

CDCG: Committees That Work Well

The Center for Dynamic Community Governance (CDCG), as part of its second Sunday no-cost offerings to the community, invites all to a session on community committees on Sunday, September 9 from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Community Center, Room 112. No pre-registration is necessary. John Buck, co-author of We the People, Consenting to a Deeper Democracy (now in its second edition) and Company-wide Agility with Beyond Budgeting, Open Space & Sociocracy, will share basic dynamic community governance skills, including transparent communication, consent-based decision-making and circle processing to further community building. This offering will focus on processes and structures that help diverse voices be productive and effective. Join in a mindful, fun sharing.



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OPENING FRIDAY!

TIMON OF ATHENS

By William Shakespeare
Directed by Joshua Engel

A guest production from
The Rude Mechanicals

August 31, September 1, 7, 8 at 8PM
Sunday Matinee: September 2 at 2PM

Ticket prices: \$22 General Admission,
\$20 Students/Seniors/Military, \$12 Youth (12 and under with adult)

PARKING HELP: With the Labor Day Festival this weekend,
go here for some tips for parking near GAC:
<https://greenbeltlaborday.com/transportation-and-parking-2>

COMING SOON:

Spring Awakening - Sept 14 - 30 - from Wolfpack Theatre Company
The Toxic Avenger - Nov 2 - 24- Directed by Jeffery Lesniak
GREENBELT ARTS CENTER-123 CENTERWAY-GREENBELT, MD
(UNDER THE CO-OP GROCERY STORE)

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Hollywood’s complex relationship with the KKK” (theguardian.com/film/2018/aug/13/blackklansman-spik-lee-hollywood-ku-klux-klan).

The movie ends with an afterword of actual footage from the 2017 Unite the Right rally in Charlottesville and a memorial to Heather Heyer, who was murdered by a white nationalist’s car while participating in a counter demonstration.

Spike Lee emphasized the rabid anti-Semitism of the Klan, even portraying the main white cop as Jewish. The Klan’s anti-Semitism was the second major theme of BlackKlansman.

After seeing a movie, partially based on a real story, I usually check the facts. So I Googled “Fact Check BlackKlansman” and found and recommend the review in the magazine, Slate, namely, “What’s Fact and What’s Fiction in BlackKlansman.”

(slate.com/culture/2018/08/whats-fact-and-whats-fiction-in-blackklansman.html).

Spoiler alert: Some fiction embellishes the story.

All in all, a riveting thriller with important lessons from history.

Jerome Dancis

What Would The Roosevelts Do?

President Franklin D. Roosevelt preferred traveling the country by train, especially between Washington, D.C., and his home in Hyde Park, N.Y. He traveled in train cars (the Marco Polo and the Ferdinand Magellan) fitted with upgraded equipment suited to his comfort, mobility and security requirements, the latest technology available being incorporated. FDR and Eleanor Roosevelt were visionaries who became president and activist first lady just when the nation desperately needed their inspiration, ideas, energy and political expertise in getting things accomplished. “The only limit to our realization of tomorrow will be our doubts of today.” (FDR, 1930s).

Had SCMaglev technology been available during FDR’s presidency (1933-1945), I cannot imagine FDR, Eleanor (or any New Dealers) endorsing a “no build” option. They were all about planning and building new projects to better unify the nation, provide jobs, promote the movement of people and ideas and get the nation out of its Depression-

era doldrums. They led efforts in implementing innovative projects and programs in housing, transportation, agriculture, jobs creation, manufacturing, education, anti-poverty programs, conservation and the arts. “Happiness lies in the joy of achievement and the thrill of creative effort.” (FDR, 1933).

My father, along with other young men unable to find work during the Great Depression, was hired under the newly formed Civilian Conservation Corps, building trails, footbridges and outbuildings, and planting trees in state parks and recreation areas of southern Ohio.

If the Roosevelts were to visit Greenbelt for this year’s Labor Day festivities, would they endorse and actively promote the environmentally friendly SCMaglev rapid rail project? Would they promote the development of renewable energy sources like wind and solar to help meet our 21st century energy needs; NASA’s James Webb space telescope; rovers on Mars? Of course they would, and wholeheartedly! The Roosevelts had no patience for maintaining the status quo, for standing still. “There are many ways of going forward, but only one way of standing still.” (FDR, 1934).

Unfortunately, our city council voted several times to oppose the SCMaglev. We won’t know until sometime early next year whether the project is given the green light to proceed by the various government agencies involved in the approval process. Our city council could rescind their earlier decision and endorse the SCMaglev rapid rail project, which will provide more choice of travel along the congested northeast corridor for future generations and do justice to the legacy the Roosevelts and the New Dealers represented. Eleanor Roosevelt said, “How hard it is to project oneself into the future. We are always prone to think of the conditions which are with us today as being permanent conditions.”

Robert Snyder

said it looked like a cougar. It stood waist high and had short brown hair with a long tail that had short hair. “It walked like a cat,” she said. It moved rapidly heading south so she didn’t get another glimpse of the animal. It is likely that the animal spotted in Greenbelt within the same time frame was probably a coyote as detailed in the News Review.

The reason I’m writing is to mention that at the time of this sighting, two neighbors near her house had three of their adult outdoor cats disappear. For sev-

eral weeks we carried sticks and canes with us when outside since this is such a rural area. Hopefully all will be able to co-exist in a world cluttered with confusion. At least coyotes don’t cut down trees and build high rises or dig tunnels.

Shelva J. Angle
Hanover, Pa.

Shelva Angle used to live in Greenbelt and continues to read the News Review.



Greenbelter Abby Crowley will be heading to the Philippines on September 28 to serve in the Peace Corps. She will serve at Cagayan State University in Luzon in the northern part of the country for seven months.

We wish a speedy recovery to Ric Gordan after a heart attack.

Good luck and bon voyage to George Boyce and Eva Fallon who are moving to Vermont.

Congratulations to Jerome Dancis, whose blog post “The Other InfoWars: Good Reads on voter suppression, white supremacy, QANON etc.” was posted on the website of Progressive Maryland.

Share your accomplishments, milestones and news in the Our Neighbors column. Send details of your news items to editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com.



Obituaries

The News Review publishes obituaries of Greenbelt residents, past or present.

You write it or we will if you prefer. We try to include information about participation in various activities and organizations, where the person lived and something about the family. A photograph and service information should be included. There is no charge.



**Catholic
Community
of Greenbelt
MASS**

Sundays 10 A.M.
Municipal Building
ALL ARE WELCOME.

Cookies at the Bridge

If you are looking for something fun and worthwhile to do, consider Cookies at the Bridge. We meet weekdays at 3:15 p.m. to offer cookies to students coming home from Eleanor Roosevelt High School. We stay on the old

Greenbelt side of the Spellman Overpass until about 4 p.m. Our goal is to ensure the safety of our students as they make their way home. Call 301-474-9410 and leave a message if you want to join us or have any questions.



PHOTO BY ELLEN NOLL

City Councilmember Judith Davis, Mayor Emmett Jordan and Councilmember Silke Pope give out cookies at the bridge.



Sighting Nearby

About two months ago I was on the telephone with a neighbor here in southern York County, Pa. She suddenly gasped and said she had just seen a large brown animal pass by her house. She

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Sept 2 a.m.
“Wake Now My Vision”

Rev. Rachel Christensen, Minister; with William Snyder, Worship Associate
Rev. Christensen will speak about her Vision for Paint Branch. What is the purpose of this church? Service will include our annual Blessing of the Backpacks as our children and youth begin a new school year.

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10:30am

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At the Library

English Conversation Club. Tuesday, September 4, 6 p.m. Learning to speak English? Join this club and practice speaking English in a friendly atmosphere with people from diverse backgrounds. The club meets weekly on Tuesday evenings.

Ready to Read Storytimes. Tuesday, September 4, 7 p.m., ages 3 to 5, limit 20 people. Wednesday, September 5, 10:15 a.m., newborn to age 2, limit 15 babies with parent(s)/caregiver(s). 11:15 a.m., ages 2 to 3, limit 20 people. Thursday, September 6, 10:15 and 11:15 a.m., newborn to age 2, limit 15 babies with parent/caregiver. 4:15 p.m., ages 2 to 3, limit 20 people.

Encourage children to make reading a positive experience by bringing them to the library's story times. Each program includes engaging activities and age-appropriate stories that support early literacy. Stop by the Information Desk immediately prior to each session to pick up free tickets available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Senior Computer Club: Internet II. Wednesday, September 5, 2:30 p.m. Building on the skills from Internet I, participants will practice using Google to find the information they need from websites they can trust. Registration is required; space is limited to six participants. Call the branch to register at 301-345-5800.

Bibliobop Dance Party: Fiesta! Saturday, September 8, 10:30 a.m., ages 2 to 5. Calling all preschoolers and toddlers to come and bust a move and shake the sillies out. Dance to Latin pop music in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month. Bring your parents or caregivers. No registration required.

Good Luck Squares Open House

Good Luck Squares invites all to a free dance session on Thursday, September 6 from 7 to 9 p.m. to participate in square dancing or to learn a new activity. Square dancing is a fun way to exercise, stimulate your brain and, above all, make new friends. Good Luck Squares uses the facilities of Trinity Moravian Church every Thursday, except the second Thursday of each month.

No previous square dancing experience is required; the Good Luck Squares will teach the fundamentals to novice square dancers. "Fun, fitness and fellowship" is their motto.

Trinity Moravian Church is located at 7011 Good Luck Road, New Carrollton. Those interested in attending on September 6 or who want further information should contact Jim Wass at 301-257-1348 or jim@jimwass.com, or Ginny at 301-552-1576 or vfromel51@comcast.net.

Holy Cross Thrift Store

Every Thursday
10am – 4pm

Good, clean clothes for women, men and children!
Shoes, jewelry, books, etc.

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City Information & Events

MEETINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 3-7

Tuesday, September 4 at 7:00pm **PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE** at Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Elections and Security Cameras.*

Wednesday, September 5 at 8pm **COUNCIL WORK SESSION w/Verizon** at Greenbelt Community Center 15 Crescent Road.

Thursday, September 6 at 7:00pm **ARTS ADVISORY BOARD** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Election of new officers (Chair, Chair-Elect, Secretary), Preparation for the September 26 public art worksession with City Council: discussion of staff recommendations regarding procedures for implementing the Board's draft public art policy, Update on plans for a Greenbelt arts happy hour.*

Note: the Regular City Council Meeting which was scheduled for Monday, September 10 has been moved to Tuesday, September 11 in observance of Rosh Hashanah.

The schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

City Offices will be closed Monday, September 3, in observance of Labor Day. The Greenbelt Connection will not be operating.

REFUSE/RECYCLING SCHEDULE

Week of September 3

Monday Route – Collected Tuesday
Tuesday Route – Collected Wednesday
Wednesday Route – Collected Thursday
Thursday Route – Collected Friday

There will be no appliance/metals, hard plastics, or yard waste collections on Friday, September 7

GREENBELT RETRO TOWN FAIR

Sunday, Sept. 2, 2018, 1-4pm
Museum House, 10B Crescent

Categories: Flowers, Vegetables, Baked Goods, Canned Goods, Needlework, Crafts, & Legacy

Retro Town Fair Registration Form

Please check off category(ies) you are entering—only one entry per person per category, please.

Flower and Vegetable Contest:
Cut flower: ☐ Floral arrangement ☐
Root Crop ☐ Fruit ☐ Leafy Green ☐

Baked Goods Contest:
Please include an index card with ingredients with item
Cake ☐ Pie ☐ Cookies ☐

Canned Goods Contest:
Preserves/Jams ☐ Vegetables ☐ Pickles ☐

Needlework Contest:
Crochet ☐ Knitting ☐ Embroidery ☐ Sewing ☐

Crafts, Open Category: _____
(examples: jewelry, woodworking, dollmaking)

NEW! Legacy Handcraft Exhibition
Entries are heirloom handcrafts made by an entrant, or by a family member, more than 10 years ago. We'll have an area inside 10A Crescent where they will be displayed.

Schedule

PLEASE NOTE LOCATION AT MUSEUM HOUSE

Please drop off ALL entries between 10am-11:30am at **10B Crescent, Greenbelt, MD 20770**

Open to public for viewing from 1pm-4pm

Please plan to pick up ALL items by 5pm

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail: _____

Questions? Contact Sheila Maffay-Tuthill, 240-542-2064 or education@greenbeltmuseum.org. For more information visit the Museum's website, greenbeltmuseum.org.

Thank you for participating!

The Electric Car Charging Station will be CLOSED throughout the Labor Day Festival: Friday August 31st through Monday September 3rd.

Mom's Morning Out

There are still some openings for the Fall session!

Registration now open! Sign up soon! Spaces are limited! For registration information call 301-397-2200.

Session begins on September 10, 2018

There's Still Time to Sign Up For The Citizen's Academy

Sign Up for the Fall Session of the Greenbelt Citizens Police Academy Scheduled to Begin September 6th.

After a successful Spring Session of the Greenbelt Citizen's Police Academy, Registration for the fall session of the Academy is now open!

Class 18-02 will begin on Thursday, September 6th and continue through November 1st. This is a free nine (9) week program designed to increase communication and understanding between members of the Greenbelt community and the Greenbelt Police Department. It is an excellent opportunity for individuals, living, working or attending school in Greenbelt to gain a better understanding of how your law enforcement agency works. The GCPA combines classroom and hands on instruction on a wide variety of police functions.

Anyone interested in attending our Academy can check out our website at www.gpdcitizensacademy.com for more information. You can also contact George Mathews at 240-542-2116.

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups.

There are currently vacancies on:
Advisory Committee of Education, Arts Advisory Board, Ethics Commission, Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Park and Recreation Advisory Board, Senior Citizens Advisory Committee, and Youth Advisory Committee.

For information on how to apply: 301-474-8000

WATERSHED STEWARDS ACADEMY

Are you looking for an exciting opportunity to learn more about your local watershed and how you can help address pollution problems? Consider joining the Watershed Stewards Academy, an 8-session classroom and field-based course operated by the Anacostia Watershed Society! As a participant, you will learn about stormwater runoff and County resources for greening your community, conduct water quality sampling, and go on a boat tour of the Anacostia River.

The next course in Prince George's County and hosted by the City of Greenbelt will start Wednesday, September 12th from 6:30-9:00pm.

For more information and to register, please visit www.anacostiaws.org/programs/education/watershed-stewards-academy or contact Matt Gallagher at mgallagher@anacostiaws.org.

POOCH PLUNGE

2018

Greenbelt's Annual Splash Party for You and Your Dog!

Saturday, September 8 11:00am-3:00pm

Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center, 101 Centerway! (Outdoor Pool) \$10 per dog

PRESENTED BY GREENBELT ANIMAL CONTROL AND THE GREENBELT AQUATIC AND FITNESS CENTER

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Turnpike and B&O Railroad Were Important Travel Ways

by James Giese

This is the second in a five-part series of articles about historic roads in the Greenbelt area. The primary sources for information for these articles are internet accessible maps at the Library of Congress website: a circa 1861 map, Martinet's Map of Prince George's County by Simon J. Martinet, C.E., loc.gov/resource/g3843p.la000302/; county and Vansville District maps found in an 1878 atlas of Prince George's County; and an 1879 atlas depicting the area fifteen miles around Washington, including the county of Montgomery, Maryland, both by G. M. Hopkins, C.E., loc.gov/resource/g3850m.gct00186/?st=gallery.

US-1

The 1861 map shows the Washington and Baltimore Turnpike paralleling Edmonston Road to its west. That road is now Baltimore Boulevard (US-1). This road was first blazed (delineated) from Baltimore to Bladensburg and then on to Georgetown in 1749. The Washington and Baltimore Turnpike, chartered in 1812, constructed a toll road in an 80-foot right-of-way. In 1865 the road was turned over to the counties to operate. Beginning in 1906, the state funded the highway, then called Baltimore-Washington Boulevard, and designated it as State Route No. 1. By 1910, the road was paved through the county, except for a few small gaps, and by 1915 it was totally paved and partially realigned. In 1926, an interstate system of road designations was established and the highway became US Route 1, although still a state highway.

Many sections of US-1 follow the route of the historic turnpike, but in other areas the road has been straightened or relocated. For example, the section between Beltsville and Contee Road was built much later, probably in the 20th century, to avoid railroad crossings and better serve development along the west side of the railroad. Most of the old turnpike route still exists east of the tracks and is now called Old Baltimore Pike. It runs from just north of Powder Mill Road to Muirkirk Road, and then even further north as Cedarhurst Drive in a new subdivision.

The B&O

Also shown on the map is the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad's Washington branch line from Baltimore, which paralleled the turnpike and was opened in 1835. That was the only rail access to Washington from the north in 1861 and during the Civil War.

Lincoln rode the route to his inauguration and his body was returned to Illinois on the same tracks four years later.

Alongside the railroad, Samuel F. B. Morse, who with an associate had perfected transmission by telegraph and devised the Morse Code, erected his first telegraph line in 1844, putting it into operation with his famous message, "What has God wrought?" That first line would have run beside Greenbelt Station in Greenbelt West.

The map also identifies one building on the road as being the Maryland Agricultural College. The college had just opened two years before and is now, of course, the University of Maryland College Park.

Railroad Towns

By 1861, communities along this rail line and the turnpike were Hyattsville, Beltsville and Laurel. A train stop at Contee's Station north of Beltsville is also marked. By 1878, new communities developed along the rail line: Riverdale, College Lawn (later Park), Berwyn and Branchville.

The community of Beltsville never incorporated as a city or town. In 1861 it was centered on the B&O Railroad crossing of the Baltimore Turnpike and was more on the east side of the tracks than the west, extending along the turnpike up to Odell Road. That road also crossed the tracks and intersected with the turnpike, forming a triangle at which many homes were located.

The map locates an Episcopal Church just south of the crossing on the turnpike. That is St. John's Episcopal Church, Zion Parish, now at the intersection of US-1 and Powder Mill Road. Now over 200 years old, that parish was celebrating its 50th year in 1861, according to the church's website. But when mapped, the church building was only four years-old.

On the east side of the tracks, near Indian Creek, was a Presbyterian Church. This area is now industrial and warehousing. Besides homes, Beltsville had a store and post office, hotel, school, two blacksmith shops and a doctor.



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This is an enlargement of a part of the Martinet Map that depicts the Beltsville area in 1861. At that time the Baltimore Washington Turnpike (from lower left to upper right) crossed the B&O Railroad, Washington Branch (dark line), while today U.S. 1 remains west of the tracks. However, the turnpike east of the railroad is still a road today. Powder Mill Road did not exist then, but now crosses the tracks about where the Store & PO is. Intersecting the turnpike at the Presbyterian Church is Edmonston Road. In the upper left corner, the road running across the page, Odell Road (of which the western portion has now become Powder Mill Road) intersects Montgomery Avenue coming from the south and Gunpowder Road to the north. This intersection is now the I-95/Powder Mill Road interchange.

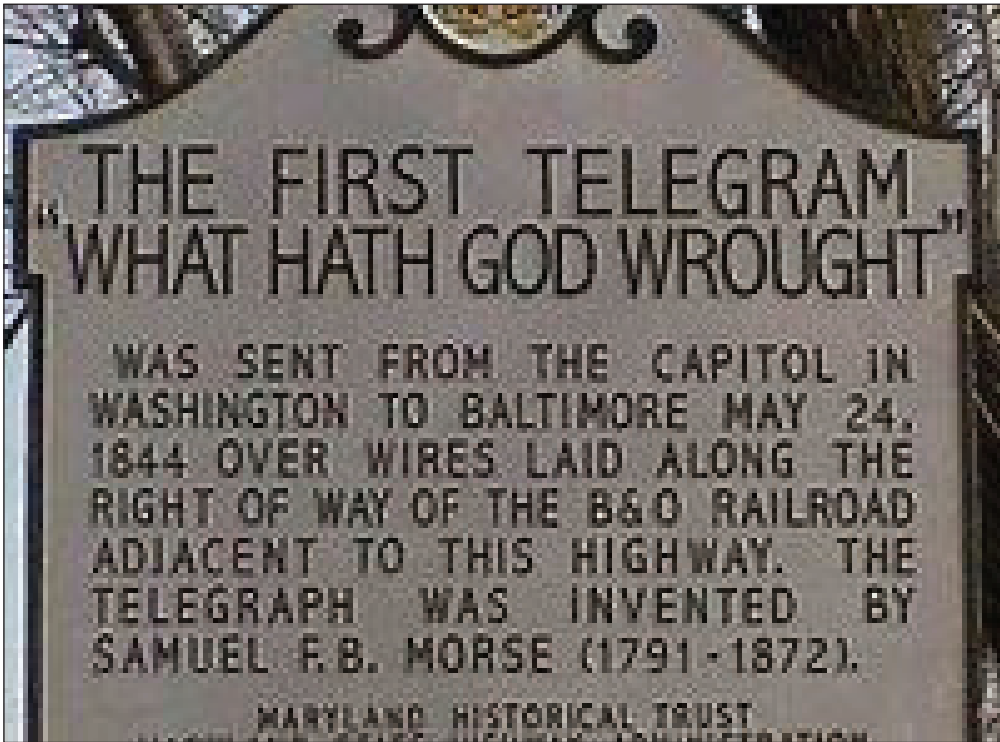


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Historical marker on U.S. 1 in Beltsville





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- *Carrot Cake
- *Sweet Potato Cake
- *Cannoli
- *Brownies
- *Cinna rolls and other assorted desserts...
- *Ice Cream
- *Snow Cones



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Greenbelt American Legion

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Family Picnic - Monday, Sept. 3

Public Welcome 2-6 pm



Menu

- Pit-cooked Beef
- Fried Chicken
- Hot Dogs
- Hamburgers
- Watermelon
- Soft Drinks/Beer

Enjoy Labor Day at Roosevelt Center—Then visit the Legion Post for more fun

Horseshoe tourney-Moon Bounce-Face Painting-Sack Races-Water balloon toss-Tug of War

All proceeds from events go toward American Legion Post 136 support programs for Veterans and the Greenbelt Community

FESTIVAL continued from page 1

Friday

Join the table tennis tournament, visit the Community Center, see the museum exhibit room and bring your entries for the art and photo shows. Then, from 6 to 10 p.m., plunge into the carnival midway. Fun, food and activity booths offer refreshments and a breather between exciting rides and games. Opening Ceremonies on the festival stage, starting at 6:30 p.m., will introduce and honor Greenbelt's 2018 Outstanding Citizen. To celebrate our new Greenbelt hero, a reception will follow in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Building. Then, back to the stage, where Fast Eddie and the Slowpokes show off an eclectic playlist of classic blues, West Coast Swing, Motown and classic rock from 8 to 11 p.m.

Saturday

Choose among an all-day, multi-venue slow-pitch tournament, a museum walking tour at 9 a.m., a children's pet show from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., a drum circle at 11 a.m. and family cartoons from 1 to 5 p.m. in the Old Greenbelt Theatre. Information Day in the Roosevelt Center will introduce Greenbelt organizations to passers-by. At the art and photo shows, Greenbelt artists of all ages will impress viewers. Roller skating in the Youth Center gym from 2 to 4 p.m. will add to the active fun of the midway line-up of rides, food and socializing. At 4 and 6 p.m., remember departed friends and family on the hillside behind the Mother and Child statue; a commemorative motorcycle ride at 4 p.m. will precede the memorial gathering. The music line-up, from noon to 11 p.m., will offer a variety of styles and tempos sure to please music lovers. Granny and the Boys perform at noon, playing live funk fusion. At 2 p.m., Split 2nd, a classic rock band, covers the 60s and more. At 5 p.m. the ever-soulful Patty Reese will sing her heart out. At 8 p.m. Diamond Alley performs a mix of contemporary and classic hits as well as originals.

Sunday

In the Tour de Greenbelt cyclists will tour all sections of Greenbelt, from 9 to 10:45 a.m. From noon until 8 p.m., visit the craft fair in Roosevelt Center, where artists will display their creations. The Greenbelt Museum will be open from 1 to 5 p.m., hosting a Retro Town Fair on the lawn from 2 to 4 p.m. featuring flowers, vegetables, baked and canned goods and needlework (enter yours between 11 a.m. and noon to compete for a ribbon). Sports competitions will include Youth table tennis from noon to 2 p.m., Hot Shot Hoops from 2 to 4 p.m., Two Ball Tournament at 3:45 and the Larry Noel 15k Race and 3k Fun Run at 5 p.m. Cool down in the Old Greenbelt Theatre with family cartoons from 3 to 5 p.m. Music on the festival stage will start at noon with Pitches Be Crazy, a five person vocal band, followed at 2 p.m. by 2 4 U Band; The Rising Stars Performance Showcase, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., will give Greenbelt youngsters (up to age 17) the stage to display singing, dancing and musical talent. To top off the evening, The Nowhere Men will deliver Motown and rock tunes.

Monday (Labor Day)

The Greenbelt Labor Day Pa-

rade will wind its way through town with bands, fire trucks and community organizations creatively displaying their talents and services. Then enjoy a summertime lunch with homemade baked treats at the Luncheon on the Lawn at the Greenbelt Community Church, at the corner of Crescent and Hillside Roads. Catch what you missed at the carnival or the craft fair or tour the Greenbelt Museum, get your face painted, browse the used books and of course, eat some more. The Youth Scavenger Hunt (for two person teams age 15 and under) offers trophies for best hunters. Cool off and rest up at the Old Greenbelt Theatre with a free classic movie, My Man Godfrey. The festival stage again offers entertainment, starting with award presentations from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., recognizing winners in the art as well as photo shows and the parade. At 3 p.m., Johnny Seaton, performing the music of Elvis Presley, will close the music program on a high note.

For the full schedule of Labor Day festivities, including shuttle bus information, check the insert in the center of last week's News Review.




Evert Narvaez, 5, and his grandfather John Mealey watch as Snyder Amusements workers set up rides for the Labor Day Festival.

- Photos by Jill Connor



Snyder Amusements workers set up rides on Wednesday for the Labor Day Festival.





College Park Youth Choir

For children aged 5 and up to learn about singing and performing. **Primary Choir** focuses on choral skills and musicianship; **Vocetti** moves on to advanced part singing. The choirs perform several times a year around College Park, and rehearse Thursdays at the Old Parish House, Knox Road, College Park, at 6:30 p.m. (Primary Choir) and 7:30 p.m. (Vocetti). Tuition per semester is \$85; scholarships are available. For more information visit www.cpae.org or email info@cpae.org

CART Operates on Teddy Bears At Greenbelt Labor Day Fest

by Laura Kressler

A Teddy Bear “Surgical” Repair Clinic is being run by the Greenbelt Companion Animal Response Team (CART) this Sunday, September 2, from noon to 6 p.m. at the Labor Day Festival. CART members, led by team coordinator and chief teddy bear surgeon Dr. Laura Kressler, will be operating on wounded teddy bears and other stuffed friends. The clinic will serve as a fundraiser to help fund the purchase of the team’s fully stocked equipment trailer. There is no charge for the service, but the team hopes attendees make a donation.

CART was created two years ago and became a City of Greenbelt organization in the fall of 2017. CART is currently raising funds to purchase a fully equipped Pet Disaster Relief Trailer. This trailer will allow the team to become fully operational within the City of Greenbelt to respond to local disasters and emergencies such as large fires, hurricanes, tornados and man-made disasters.

CART received a grant from the American Kennel Club (AKC) through a program called the AKC Reunite Pet Disaster Relief Program that provides fully stocked Pet Disaster Relief Trailers to local emergency management programs. The AKC Reunite program was created after Hurricane Katrina in 2005 to help address the need for local emergency response groups to have readiness plans and assistance available for pets during local emergencies and disasters.

The AKC Reunite grant requires that CART raise \$12,000

towards the total \$22,000 cost of the Pet Disaster Relief Trailer. The AKC will then match CART’s money with the remaining \$10,000. So far, CART has raised almost \$7,500 toward the required \$12,000.

Laura Kressler, BS, DVM, is the commander of the Greenbelt Community Animal Response Team.



Everyone Can Help Create A Cleaner, Greener Festival

by John Lippert


Greenbelters recycle more than half of their waste material. Let’s keep improving. One great way to educate and encourage the practice of recycling is to raise awareness during the Labor Day Festival.

Greenbelt Public Works, the Green Team’s Zero Waste Circle and the Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability (GreenACES) are striving to make the Labor Day Festival as green as possible. Trash and recycling bins will be grouped together in pairs, side by side. Some compost bins may be available if there are enough volunteers. Volunteers will encourage

people to put their refuse in the correct bin and will be available for questions. Fun environmental games will be held at the Public Works booth.

If your waste is recyclable – and much will be – discard it into a recycling bin, not the trash can. Put only recyclables in the recycling bins. And put organic material in a compost bin if available.

Did you know that the city is charged \$59 per ton to landfill and only \$25 per ton for recyclables? Money saved on trash collection by recycling can be used for other city programs and activities.



PRELIMINARY AGENDA

GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, September 6, 2018

GHI ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

A. **GHI Special Open Session Meeting – begins at 7.00 p.m.**


- Approve motion to hold an Executive Session meeting on September 6, 2018

B. **GHI Executive Session – begins after the GHI Special Open Session Meeting adjourns**

- Approve minutes of the Executive Session meeting held on August 2, 2018
- Consider the terms and conditions of the following contracts in the negotiation stage:
 - Proposed contract for installation of a Solar PVES for the Administration Building -2nd reading
 - 2018 fall concrete repair contract – 1st reading
- Member complaint matter.

C. **GHI Open Session Meeting – begins at 7.45 p.m.**

- Announcement of Executive Session Meeting Held on August 16, 2018
- Approve Minutes of the Special Open Session Meeting Held on August 2, 2018
- Approve Minutes of the Regular Open Session Meeting Held on August 2, 2018
- Member Concern re: Pedestrian Foot-bridge in the Woodlands behind 3 Laurel Hill
- Proposed Replacement Fence at 6-K Hillside
- Proposed Replacement Fence at 3-J Eastway
- Review 2nd quarter 2018 GHI Financial Statements
- Review the Investment Committee's Report for the First-Half of 2018
- Review GHI's Current Investment Procedures
- Board Member's Proposal re: GHI's Replacement Reserves' Plan
- Authorization of GHI's Representatives for Negotiations with WSSC
- Woodlands Committee Recommendation re: Restoration of Former Landfill Site



To request a sign language interpreter for a board meeting, go to <http://www.ghi.coop/content/interpreter-request-form>, or go to the GHI Office (One Hamilton Place) or contact us bv phone (301-474-4161) or fax (301-474-4006).

Regular Board meetings are open to Members

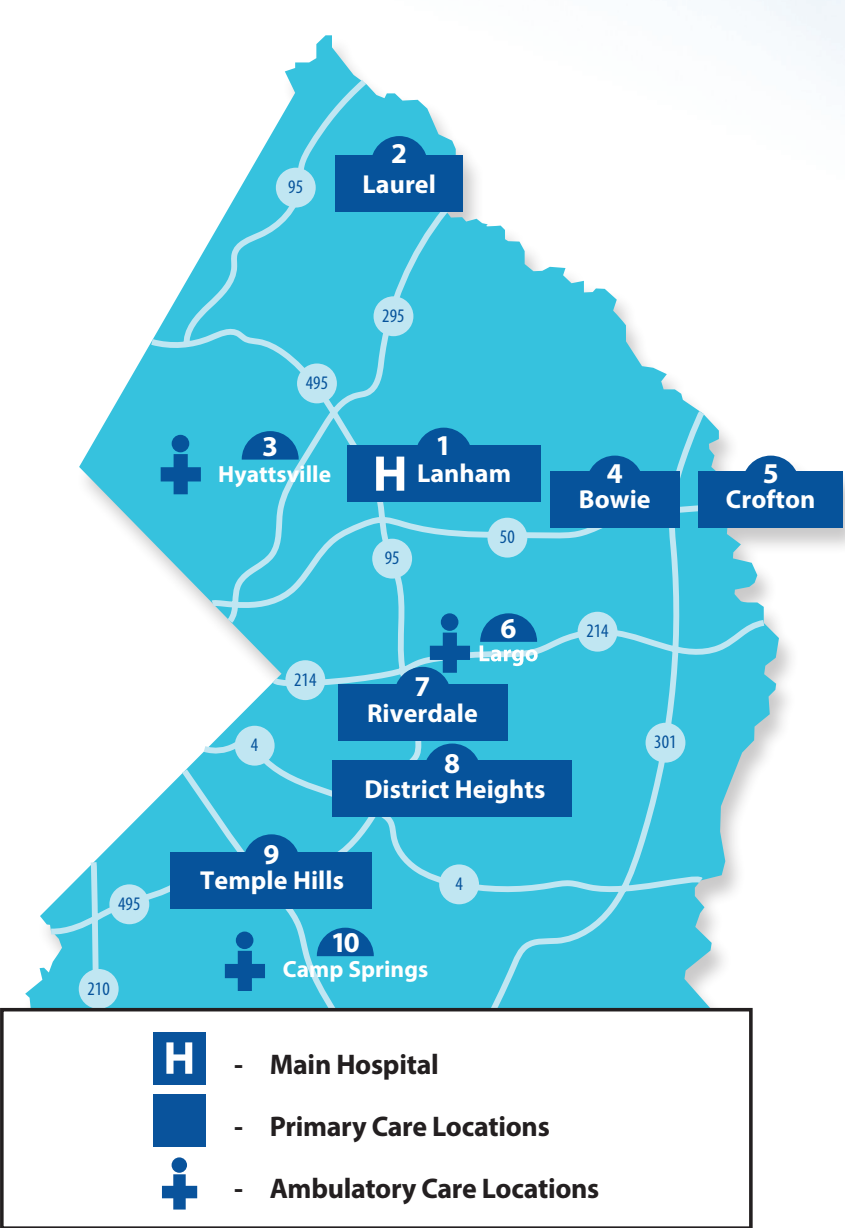
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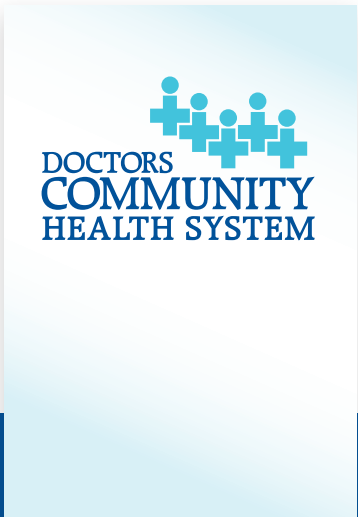
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- ✚ Bariatric and Weight Loss Program **1**
- ✚ Breast Health **1**
- ✚ Digestive Disease Care **1**
- ✚ Emergency Services **1**
- ✚ Endocrinology and Diabetes Care **2 7**
- ✚ Health Center **3**
- ✚ Imaging Services **1 6**
- ✚ Infusion Care **1**
- ✚ Orthopedic Services **1 4 10**
- ✚ Primary Care **1 2 4 5 7 8 9**
- ✚ Radiation Oncology **1 4**
- ✚ Rehabilitation Program **1 4 10**
- ✚ Sleep Care **1**
(adults and children)
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Weevil Provides a Biological Control of Mile-a-Minute Vine

by Jason Martin

Mile-a-minute (*Persicaria perfoliata*) is an invasive annual vine that was introduced to the Mid-Atlantic region of the United States in the 1930s. The introduction can be traced back to a shipment of holly seeds from Japan that was contaminated with mile-a-minute seeds. The plant's native range is Asia and it is found in China, Japan, Korea, India, Indonesia, Turkey, Russia and the Philippines.

Mile-a-minute vine can grow six meters in a season, covering shrubs, small trees and tree seedlings, creating a monoculture that disrupts forest edge habitats and forest succession. The plant is covered in small sharp spines that make it painful and difficult to remove by hand. It produces clusters of berries with seeds that stay viable in the soil up to six years. Seeds are dispersed by wildlife such as birds and deer.

Researchers have searched for a way to biologically control mile-a-minute vine. A joint effort between the U.S., Japan and China narrowed the pool of over 100 insect species found feeding on mile-a-minute to one species of weevil (*Rhinoncominus latipes*), the mile-a-minute weevil. This species was chosen for testing as a biological control agent because it feeds on mile-a-minute vine at all stages of its life cycle and is a specialist, feeding only on mile-a-minute and no other plants. After a series of rigorous experiments that included laboratory and field testing, the mile-a-minute weevil was released in Delaware in 2004. Since then the weevil has been released in or spread to New Jersey, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, West Virginia, Virginia, Rhode Island, New York, North Carolina and Massachusetts. Mile-a-minute weevils have been observed feeding on mile-a-minute vines in Greenbelt.

Mile-a-minute weevil adults feed on the leaves of the mile-a-minute vine. The larvae burrow into the stems, eating the interior plant tissue, and pupate in the soil below the plant, emerging as adults to continue the cycle. This cycle only takes about 25 days and three or four generations of mile-a-minute weevil can be produced in a summer. The last adults of the year overwinter in leaf litter and emerge in the spring when the mile-a-minute vine begins to grow.

The mile-a-minute weevil does not eradicate the mile-a-minute vine. Eradication is not advantageous to the weevil and would cause its extinction. Instead evolution has selected for the mile-a-minute vine and weevil to coex-



An adult mile-a-minute weevil found on a patch of mile-a-minute vine at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center. Young adults are black and mature to brown after feeding.

- Photos by Jason Martin



Leaves of mile-a-minute vine that show damage from adult weevil feeding



Right: An adult mile-a-minute weevil that has turned brown after feeding

ist. The weevil does suppress the growth and reproductive viability of mile-a-minute vine, reducing its competitive advantage over native plants. Field observations show that populations of mile-a-minute vine with the weevil grow less, produce fewer berries and do not create monocultures.

News Review Delivery Team Sets High Standard for Papers

by Cathie Meetre

The News Review welcomes Alan Burt as our new delivery contractor. A lifelong Greenbelter, Burt has had a thriving landscaping business in town since the early 1990s and lives in Boxwood Village. From being a kid on a bike to being a local landscaper, Burt knows his way around town. He has also had extensive experience in deliveries. Readers may remember Colombo Yogurt – Burt was the delivery supervisor for the D.C. area.

As the new face of the News Review to commercial organizations who host copies of the paper in their places of business, Burt brings cheerful and cooperative contact. He's quick to respond to requests and careful in stacking new copies and removing old ones. He also delivers bundles of newspapers to the carriers throughout the city's core. He's well aware of the need to have the papers available when the carriers get home from school Thursday afternoon and the imperative to protect the bundles from rain and wind so they arrive in good condition on every doorstep. The News Review looks forward to a long and productive relationship.

Burt joins Amina Khalifa and her grandson, Alexander, who deliver throughout Greenbelt West, keeping boxes filled throughout Franklin Park and at the Metro station as well as supplying papers to Greenbelt Station, Beltway Plaza and some stores and boxes near Goddard Space Flight Center's main gate. They too have brought a professional attitude and consistency to their work on behalf of the paper. Khalifa juggles her News Review role with community service, volunteering with Meals on Wheels, and sees the delivery route as valuable to her grandson. She feels it is important that young

people gain experience in the work world and understand the relationship between work and money. Working as a team, they distribute the papers quickly and efficiently – and have proactively added a couple more commercial locations to the paper's list of outlets. Their positive attitude and attention to detail are also an important factor in promoting the newspaper around the city.

Working with the delivery team is Karen Yoho, the News Review's circulation manager. She keeps track of who gets how many papers and rides herd on the carriers, old and young, who distribute the papers door to door. She is the face behind circ@greenbeltnewsreview.com when there's a question or comment. Over the last few months, Yoho and News Review board member Ray Zammuto have thoroughly documented and rationalized the entire distribution system to make sure that all the papers get to their appointed place in good time and good condition. Zammuto spent two months delivering the route that is now Burt's to ensure that the board was fully aware of the distribution pattern. Zammuto's experience in the day-to-day activity was a significant factor in helping the News Review establish a consistent and sustainable distribution function.

When reached for comment, Burt remarked of his first week on the job, "I could hardly move when I finished!" But he followed up with, "Just joking! It went pretty smoothly and it'll go faster as I get used to it."

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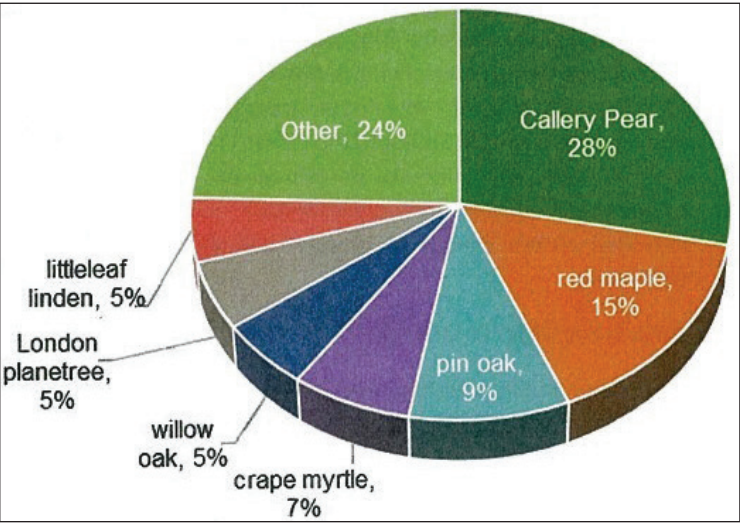
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Species Distribution of Greenbelt's Street Trees

says that Greenbelt trees are at risk if the city doesn't take immediate steps to sustain them.

Previous studies of Greenbelt's trees include an aerial tree canopy analysis performed in 2007 by the University of Vermont, a partial Street Tree Inventory conducted by 22 University of Maryland students in 2013, a report by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources also in 2013 and a Forest Preserve Health Assessment by A. Morton Thomas in 2015.

In spite of all these studies, Davey Tree's chief concern is Greenbelt's lack of data about the condition of its trees. Vaughn pointed out that untrained volunteers collected information on about half of the trees in 2013, and that Public Works doesn't have staff with the necessary training to collect data that could identify serious risks to the tree population. Most of Greenbelt's work with its trees is reactive, not proactive, plus current data is not collected, she noted. Vaughn recommends that Public Works change the current part-time arborist position to full-time and hire an additional part-time arborist. She also recommends getting a new aerial lift truck with a higher reach which would cost \$180,000. With additional staff, a new bucket truck and a completed inventory of its trees, the city could then implement the various management strategies (e.g., risk assessment, cyclic care and strategic planting plans) contained in the Tree Master Plan.

Vaughn listed two major risks for Greenbelt's trees: the lack of biodiversity and the large proportion of older trees. Four species make up 60 percent of Greenbelt's trees. Relying on a limited number of tree species makes the tree population more vulnerable to pests, disease and stress due to climate change. Vaughn recommends planting fewer red maples on public property until that species is reduced to 10 percent of the tree population. Vaughn also advises removing at least 20 Callery (Bradford) pears each year. Ideally, Greenbelt needs to get rid of this undesirable invasive tree within the next 10 years.

Greenbelt has about 700 mature, large-diameter trees on public property. Having such a large number of older trees of the same age means that they could all decline at the same time, for example as the result of a severe storm. According to Vaughn, 40 percent of the trees need to be young, with a diameter of less than 8 inches. Our large crowned older trees are integral to the city's livability and need special attention and care. Public Works

can best care for trees when it has a complete inventory, listing tree condition, risk rating and maintenance needs.

The Urban Forest Tree Master Plan spells out a further concern with the city ordinance dealing with trees, claiming it does not adequately protect Greenbelt trees. It suggests 10 changes for strengthening Chapter 12, Article VII of the City Code. In addition, even though Greenbelt's forest preserves provide a large portion of its tree canopy, they are not protected in perpetuity, as they should be.

A large percentage of the tree canopy is located on private property. For this reason Vaughn suggested informing the public about the benefits of a good tree canopy, about the temperature reduction in the city as a whole and the cost savings from lower energy use. City residents should be encouraged to plant species other than maple or oak to encourage greater biodiversity. The city also needs to disseminate information about proper mulching and pruning.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts pointed to the areas of Greenbelt totally devoid of trees such as shopping centers and apartment complexes. Mayor Emmett Jordan mentioned all the trees lost at the new Greenbelt Station development. Councilmembers Edward Putens, Silke Pope, Roberts and Jordan all urged completion of the tree inventory. Townsend said current staff would not be able to accomplish that task. He discouraged using volunteers for this kind of technical work. Putens asked "What can we do tomorrow. . . while we look for money?" In his words, Greenbelt is "the diamond of the State of Maryland." Perhaps, he suggested, state financing might be found to sustain the Greenbelt tree canopy.





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the five cups they spaced six radish seeds and watered each cup carefully. How soon would each of the samples sprout? How well would the plants grow?

The Springhill Lake Earth Squad, spearheaded by Carolyn Lambright-Davis, is a co-learning tutoring and mentoring project that practices stewardship for the Three Sisters Gardens and Food Forest. In the summer, the group is smaller, but very active. A week before creating the germination test, they had learned about hot composting and noticed all the happy bugs that were helping to turn the food scraps and wood chips into compost.

Compost is a nutrient-dense soil amendment coveted by gardeners, not only as good food for plants but for improving soil's consistency and water retention. Members of the hot composting group who had participated in work days and contributed their food scraps since March were looking forward to taking home some good compost. They knew, however, that they would have to wait until there were test results from the Summer Earth Squad. Compost that is not fully cured can burn plants' roots if acids remain in the product.

On August 21 the Summer Earth Squad gathered again to examine their five test cups. Had

the radish seeds sprouted? The results were interesting and surprising. In the cups labeled Top, Middle and Bottom, nearly all of the seeds had sprouted, and most had grown into long, leggy stems with healthy leaves. The Squad counted how many had sprouted in each test cup, counted how many leaves were on the various stems and measured how tall the stems were. In the community-produced compost, some of the stems were very long: one was five inches!

In the HoCoGro cup, not all the seeds had sprouted, and plants were short. In the potting soil, the seeds had sprouted only the day before, and the sprouts still had their seeds attached and hadn't unfurled into a stemmed plant.

Stephanie Warner, one of several compost experts who work with the Hots Team, evaluated the results. The long stems? Probably the samples did not receive direct sunlight so the healthy plants grew to reach the light. The barely sprouted control plants? Well, those growing mediums were not as good as the neighborhood compost produced by the Hots Team. Top, Middle and Bottom compost produced from Greenbelters' food scraps and Public Works' wood chips made happy plants.

News Review on the Ice



Linda Curtis (13-H Ridge Road) reads the Greenbelt News Review while sitting on the polar ice cap in the Arctic Circle in Greenland.

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At the New Deal

Thursday, August 30, 7 to 10 p.m. Open Mic with Tom Gleason.

Friday, August 31, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Mamas and Papas Parenting Group. 2:30 to 4 p.m., Music Makers Jam Session for all levels of musicians. Bring an instrument and join this informal gathering of community members enjoying making music together. 8:30 to 11:30 p.m., Full Power Blues with Mama Moon, smooth Chicago-style blues with a side order of modern soul.

Saturday, September 1, 8:30 to 11:30 p.m., Fractal Cat. This six-piece rock ensemble emphasizes classic songwriting, melodic vocals and a multilayered psychedelic rock sound as they present original songs with elements of soul, classic country and electronic music.

Sunday, September 2, 7 to 9:30 p.m., Mark Wenner's Blues Warriors. The Nighthawks' founding member, Mark Wenner, brings together shining traditional blues from the Chicago and Louisiana schools with bandmates Clarence "Bluesman" Turner, Steve Wolf, Robert Frahm and Mark Stutso.


Monday, September 3, The New Deal Café will be open for Labor Day. 2 to 4 p.m., DC Labor Chorus will be singing for solidarity, peace, jobs, justice and joy. This musical ensemble represents local labor, as well as community and social activists from the DMV area. Song sheets will be provided and participation is encouraged.

Tuesday, September 4, 7 to 9 p.m., The New Old Jamboree hosted by Ruthie and the Wranglers. In their final gig, the New Old Jamboree features new songs, old songs and special guests. Don't miss this special farewell performance.

Wednesday, September 5, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., Bad Penny Band, covering the best songs from across the decades including rock, blues, pop, Motown and more.

Thursday September 6, 7 to 10 p.m., Songwriters' Association of Washington Open Mic, hosted by Lynn Hollyfield. A new featured artist will perform at 8 p.m.; the features are tried and true songwriters working on their craft and sharing their gifts to inspire all. Sign-ups are at 6:30 p.m., with Open Mic from 7 to 8 p.m. and from 8:45 to 10 p.m.





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Many Transportation Options For Greenbelt Residents

by Leslie Cummings and Angeline Butler

Below is information compiled by members of the Outreach Group at Greenbriar on resources available to all Greenbelt residents. Greenbriar residents who wish to join the group may contact Jane Mullaney at janemullaney@yahoo.com.

Metrobus

Three WMATA Metrobus routes, G12, G14 and R12 run through many parts of Greenbelt, including Greenbriar, and surrounding areas and provide transportation to both the Greenbelt Metro Station and the New Carrollton Metro Station. Metrobus Route B30 runs Monday through Friday service between the Greenbelt Metro station and Baltimore-Washington Thurgood Marshall Airport. The Greenbelt Metrorail station offers commuters direct access from I-95 or Cherrywood Lane. Also, the Greenbelt Metro station connects travelers to the MARC Commuter Rail (Camden Line), TheBus and the University of Maryland shuttle. A map of Metrobus service in and around Greenbelt can be found at: wmata.com/riderguide/stations/upload/station_bus_maps/pdfs/Greenbelt.pdf.

The base fare for Metrobus regular routes is \$2.00 using a SmarTrip card or cash. The fare for express routes is \$4.25 using a SmarTrip card or cash. Fare for seniors and people with disabilities is \$1.00 for regular routes, \$2.10 on express routes. Passengers must have exact fare ready since bus drivers do not carry money. Metrorail peak fares, which are in effect weekdays from opening to 9:30 a.m. and 3 to 7 p.m. and weekends midnight to closing, are \$2.25 minimum and \$6.00 maximum. Off-peak fares (all other times) are \$2.00 minimum and \$3.85 maximum. The cost varies depending on the length of the trip.

ShuttleUM

University of Maryland Shuttle destinations include Greenbelt, Baltimore, Adelphi, Silver Spring, Hyattsville, New Carrollton, Prince George's Plaza, Columbia, Gaithersburg and various neighborhoods in and around College Park, including the College Park Metro station – basically any place where the University holds classes. All routes begin and end at the Regents Drive Garage on the university campus.

Sign up for the 12-month pass by going to the Municipal Building or the Aquatic & Fitness Center. The cost is \$10 for a pass that starts in September (the beginning of the academic year) and runs for 12 months. The \$10 pass is only available through the City of Greenbelt. Be sure to take proof of residency.

Schedules and Stops: See transportation.umd.edu and click

on the NextBus button at the top of the page. There is also a free booklet, Campus Connections, available at the Regents Drive Garage office that has this information in print.

Free Pass for Seniors and Students: If 60 or older, classes are tuition-free at any state school, including the University of Maryland, although a registration fee is required. Once signed up as a student, the shuttle is free by showing a student ID.

How useful is this? Once at the shuttle stop of choice, other public transportation can be used. For example, if one takes the shuttle to Baltimore and disembarks at the shuttle stop, one can then use any of the city's transportation options (bus, light rail, etc.) to get to another destination: shopping, museums, sporting events, the Johns Hopkins medical center, etc. Be sure to check the availability of the shuttle for your return trip; some routes have limited times when they operate during the day, on weekends and around school vacation times.

TheBus

The Prince George's County bus, alias TheBus, has two routes, #15 and #16, that run through Greenbelt between the Greenbelt and New Carrollton Metro stations. The #15 bus is an express bus that runs every 80 minutes and has a limited number of stops. A third route, #11, runs through Greenbelt, originating from and returning to the Greenbelt Metro station. Both the #11 and the #16 buses are local buses, which means that they will stop to board passengers from any marked stop along their routes; #11 runs every 30 minutes throughout the day, with #16 running at half hour intervals during peak commuting periods and at longer intervals mid day (see princegeorgescountymd.gov/1122/Maps-Schedules for route maps and schedules). All three routes operate from Monday through Friday, with no service on weekends or major holidays (New Year's, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas).

Fare: \$1.25 unless you're over 60 or physically challenged; then you can ride for free by showing your photo ID.

Using the NextBus app, someone wanting to use TheBus (and also the Metrobus) can find out when the next bus is scheduled to arrive at a particular stop. The app is free and can be downloaded either from the App Store or directly from the website nextbus.com. Potential bus passengers can also call 301-324-2877 for route information. Riders of TheBus are invited to give feedback: Visit the website princegeorgestransit-vision.com to find out about the five-year plan being developed by the county to improve and expand transit within the county, focusing on local bus service, taxis and private ride sharing alternatives. Their public outreach will include a survey of riders, so this is a chance to be heard.

The Greenbelt Connection

This 12-passenger, wheelchair-accessible van provides door-to-destination transportation for Greenbelt residents who register for pickup at least 24 hours in advance. Transportation is limited to the Greenbelt area and to designated services just outside the city limits. Call 301-474-4100 to schedule a trip.

The fare for seniors, individuals with disabilities, and children (6 to 17 years old) is \$1 each way; for all other residents, the fare is \$2 each way. Hours of operation are:

Monday to Friday: 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
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Sunday: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Greenbelt Connection does not operate on holidays observed by the city.

Call-a-Cab

This is a program that uses coupon books to provide reduced cost transportation to eligible county residents (persons 60 and older, and disabled residents) when Metrobus, Metrorail and Prince George's County's Call-a-Bus are not available. Up to 14 \$20 coupon books may be purchased in a six-month period; the cost is \$10 per book. The coupons can be used to pay for rides with participating cab companies. Call 301-883-5656 for more information and to get an application to be able to buy the coupon books.

Community Center Offers Artful Moments



PHOTO BY GLORIA BROWN

D'Mario listens intently as he and his grandmother, Carmelita Williams, prepare to create a sock monkey at an art drop-in at the Community Center. Photographer Gloria Brown is D'Mario's great grandmother.



PHOTO BY AMANDA LARSEN

Participants work on stained glass projects at the August 26 workshop taught by Maureen Stone at the Community Center.



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chronic pain.

The Greenbelt dispensary will be Wave’s first in Maryland and will only sell marijuana products and paraphernalia. While they expect to seek a license to grow marijuana in the future, that operation will probably be at another location. Cook promised council that even if Maryland legalizes recreational cannabis use in the future, the company will not permit cannabis use on site.

Under current regulations, the company will be one of two dispensaries in Greenbelt’s state district (District 22) and one of nine in the county. Any other dispensary will have to be located at least a mile away.

Under Maryland law, MMCC regulates and oversees all aspects of medical marijuana sales in the state. They will conduct a compliance inspection before the dispensary opens and maintain a product tracking system. Their website (mmcc.maryland.gov) provides a wealth of information including information for patients, providers and caretakers about how to become eligible to purchase medical marijuana along with a list of registered providers.

A Greenbelt resident who currently has a cannabis card pointed out that patients do not smoke medical marijuana and do not necessarily get high from it. Instead, the product she uses comes as a tincture. Another method of taking medical marijuana is called dabbing which involves placing a small amount of concentrated extract (known as shatter) of the active ingredient of marijuana in a pipe-like device. Wave will sell paraphernalia only to registered patients.

Wave Cannabis must hire a compliance inspector who will do unannounced spot inspections.

Because Maryland has legalized medical marijuana but the federal government has not, the company cannot work across state lines, even including acceptance of payment by a credit card. As a result, at least initially, customers must pay with cash and the products they sell must come from within the state. Sale of edible cannabis products in Maryland is still illegal.

The federal/state differences in marijuana regulatory law account for the reason physicians are not allowed to prescribe specific products. An article on the Baltimore Sun’s website explains that under federal law it is illegal for doctors to prescribe cannabis products.

Cook described some of the state requirements such as posting a security guard on site whenever the dispensary is open. Also, the dispensary must be open at least four days a week and their computer systems must stay online and available, even during a power outage.

In addition, all products will be stored in a vault in the center of the building so thieves cannot gain access by drilling through the wall from a neighboring office.

The company is also considering providing delivery service. The state has regulations for that, too, including the use of unmarked delivery vehicles. While the company has a marketing plan, Cook assured council that their marketing efforts will be much less “in your face” than other states where recreational marijuana is legal.

Wave’s business plan identifies several targets of their marketing strategy, including providing students of University of Maryland in College Park and Bowie State University with promotional and referral cards, along with free shuttle transportation to and from the dispensary. They will target elderly care facilities, hospitals and walk-in traffic.

At this point, Cook said, insurance does not cover medical marijuana. However, some dispensaries offer specific discounts for veterans and low-income customers.

Cook noted that the company has already been working with the city government in general and the police department in particular. Police officials offered to work with Wave regarding the company’s desire for a direct link between their alarm system and the police department.

City Notes

The City of Greenbelt hosted a portion of the Wayne K. Curry Prince George’s International Junior Tennis Tournament.

Animal Control responded to calls about a dog running loose and a possible rabid raccoon, impounded two dogs, caught and treated an injured feral cat and transported two baby raccoons to a rehabilitation center. Two kittens were adopted.

Refuse/Recycling/Sustainability/Environmental crews collected 29.85 tons of refuse and 12.57 tons of recyclable material.

Thirty seniors went to see Mamma Mia at Toby’s Dinner Theater.



GHS Grizzlies Say Goodbye

by Kathleen Scott McFarland

Shakespeare said “Parting is such sweet sorrow.” And so it seemed, as several large tables full of Greenbelt High School (GHS) alumni gathered on August 5 at the American Legion for the last official meeting of the Grizzlies, as the GHS sports teams from 1939 to 1951 were known. As a friend of some of the women in the group, I was privileged to be invited to this farewell meeting. I was the senior person in attendance, having graduated from GHS in 1944.

The annual reunion picnic of this alumni club had begun in 1995. In the beginning, it was composed only of men – guys who had been athletes at GHS. Basketball was the major sport. Over the years, wives and friends had been invited to join in their annual get-togethers. After the 2001 death of John Martone, who’d hosted the first reunions, Greenbelt American Legion Post 136 agreed to let the annual barbeque meetings take place on their lawn. Under the late Bill Goodall’s leadership, bimonthly Sunday brunch meetings were held in addition to the annual picnic. In recent years, Gloria Shelton Drake, a member of GHS’s last graduating class – 1951 – has been in charge.

At the August 5 brunch meeting, Drake made a short farewell speech, lamenting the loss of so many of the group each year and the increasing disability of the remaining members. She thanked those who came and the members who had helped so much to coordinate and communicate about the meetings. She once again thanked American Legion Post 136 for their generosity and hospitality over the years. She especially paid tribute to long-time Legion waitress Janette Klotz for helping in many ways to make the club



Patsy Martone Gourley (GHS '48) shows off her painting.

- Photos by Kathleen McFarland



Patsy Martone Gourley and Bill Goodall, Jr., look at photos.

Helen Miller Brafford (GHS '48) poses with longtime American Legion Post 136 waitress Janette Klotz.

gatherings successful. Klotz had come to this meeting on her day off to say goodbye to these folks who had become her friends. Our waiter soon appeared with breakfast and was also given a round of applause.

The room resounded with laughter and talk, as the attendees looked at photos and caught up on news of old friends. The GHS class of 1948 was especially represented. They talked of their graduation 70 years ago and exclaimed over yearbook pictures of the cheerleaders and young

lads they’d been then. Many of those present had grown up in the Berwyn area; they had photos of their graduation from Berwyn Elementary School and told tales of walking to school from Branchville to GHS.

The time passed quickly; breakfast over, they knew it was time to leave but were reluctant to go. There were hugs and kisses (and a few tears, I know) as the group disbanded. Many exchanged phone numbers with promises to keep in touch in the years ahead.

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Home Invasion
August 21, 1:16 a.m., 6200 block Springhill Court. Three men knocked on the door of a residence and forced their way in when the resident answered. Each man was armed with a handgun and wore a ski mask. A robbery was announced and after a brief struggle with the resident they took money, a game console and two cell phones before they fled on foot. The resident refused treatment for minor injuries.

Robbery
August 18, 5:30 a.m., 6200 block Breezewood Court. A person who was standing outside waiting for a friend was approached by a man who produced a handgun and announced a robbery. He then fled on foot after taking the person's wallet and cell phone. The cell phone and wallet were recovered nearby.

August 20, 11:50 a.m., 7700 block Lakecrest Drive. Two men armed with handguns approached a man who was unloading tools from his work vehicle. They announced a robbery and after obtaining the man's wallet they fled in a vehicle described as a black SUV.

August 20, 1:23 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A man approached a person in the men's room inside Beltway Plaza, sprayed him with pepper spray and took three gold chains from his neck, after which he fled on foot. The man who had been sprayed refused medical treatment.

August 22, 5:27 a.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane. A man approached a person who was about to enter his vehicle, displayed a handgun and announced a robbery. A Greenbelt police officer observed the robbery in progress, and the man then fled on foot toward the 6000 block Breezewood Court.

Possession
August 16, 12:31 p.m., 400 block Ridge Road. A 25-year-old resident was arrested and charged with possession of oxycodone by officers who responded to a report of a verbal dispute inside a vehicle. He was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Theft
August 15, 3:10 p.m., 7600 block Mandan Road. A package was taken from the front stoop of a residence.

August 16, 2:26 p.m., 7400 block Greenbelt Road. An iPad was taken from an office at the AT&T Store.

August 21, 11:28 a.m., 8100 block Miner Street. Wood plank-ing was taken from a construction site.

Burglary
August 16, 4:45 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane. Several pairs of shoes were taken from a residence.

August 19, 8:44 p.m., 6100 block Breezewood Court. Officers responded to a report of a man possibly with a gun. Further investigation revealed that he had been driving, struck a parked vehicle and then exited his car and ran toward an apartment residence. Once there, he ran through a closed sliding glass door and entered the residence, despite shattering the door. He then locked himself in a bedroom for a short period of time before he eventually surrendered to police. The man, a 21-year-old nonresident, was transported to the University of Maryland Prince George's Hospital Center for treatment of minor injuries from the glass door, after which he was held for an emergency psychiatric evaluation.

Vehicle Crime
Four stolen vehicles were recovered. Three had been taken from Greenbelt. A 2007 Ford Econoline-100 van taken from the 6000 block Springhill Drive on August 17 was recovered August 19 by D.C. Metropolitan police in the 1000 block Kenilworth Avenue, N.E. A 2002 Dodge Caravan taken August 17 from the 6100 block Springhill Terrace was recovered the next day by Prince George's County police in the 5100 block Glassmanor Drive, Oxon Hill. A 2001 Dodge Caravan taken from the 6100 block Springhill Terrace on August 18 was recovered by D.C. Metropolitan police in the 2300 block L'Enfant Square, S.E.

A 1999 Jeep Cherokee reported stolen to Prince George's County police was recovered in

the 9200 block Springhill Lane.
Nine thefts from vehicles and three attempted thefts were reported. A locked car in the 9000 block Breezewood Terrace was entered and a phone charger was removed. A phone charger, cup holder and debit card used later to make an unauthorized withdrawal were taken from the 8100 block Lakecrest Drive.
Items were taken from two unlocked vehicles, an iPad and two pairs of sunglasses in the 7800 block Somerset Court and money in the 9200 block Springhill Lane.
Four rims and tires were taken from one vehicle in the 6600 block Lake Park Drive. Two batteries were taken from the front hood compartment of a vehicle in the 7200 block Hanover Drive, and two door locks and several power tools were removed from a work van in the 9100 block Edmonston Court.

Windows were broken out in three vehicles with items taken from two, one in the 6700 block Springshire Way (clothing) and the other in the 5900 Cherrywood Lane (power tools). In the 9100 block Edmonston Road a vehicle was rifled through but nothing appeared to have been taken.
In the 6700 block Springshire Way two men were seen looking into two vehicles in a driveway and when one man opened a door, it set off an alarm. Both fled on foot. They are described as being black, with long dreadlocks with blonde tips pulled into a ponytail, tattoos on his arms and neck, wearing a light colored shirt, jeans with zippers on each knee and multi-colored Nike sneakers. The other man wore a light colored polo-style shirt and jeans and had long dreadlocks pulled into a ponytail.

Four incidents of vandalism were reported. Four tires on one vehicle were flattened and ketchup was poured into its gas tank in the 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace. A fuel line was cut in the 9100 block Edmonston Court, where the gas tank of another vehicle was damaged. An unknown liquid was poured on the front windshield and driver's door in the 9300 block Edmonston Road.



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Roosevelt Democratic Club members Emily Hickey, Murray and Carolyn Malveaux sit under the tent at the ballpark on August 25.

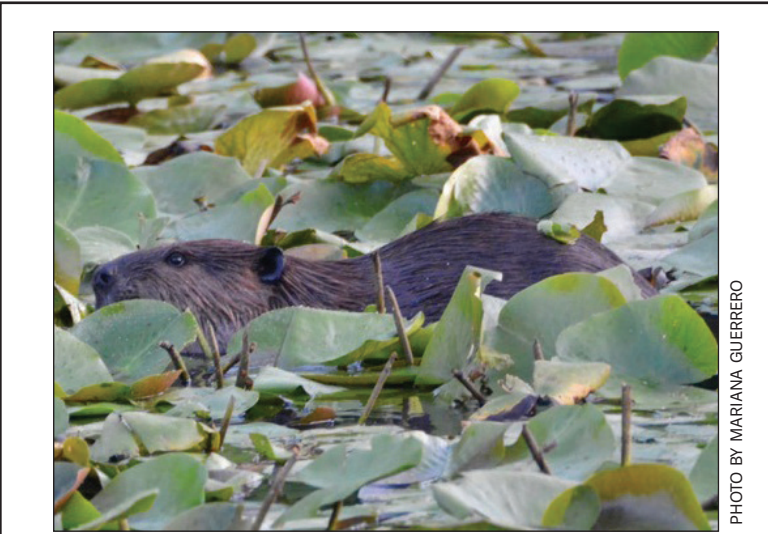


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New Art Exhibit Explores Where Different Worlds Touch

by Nicole DeWald and Jim Link

At a time when geopolitical borders are the focus of heightened attention and anxiety, the new exhibition at the Community Center Art Gallery takes a giant step back for a broader view. Artists Mary Baum, Jim Doran and Annie Farrar, each in their own unique language, explore the boundaries between physical and metaphysical realms. Like national borders, the edges they traverse are perceptible, but porous. They lend definition to our experience without confining it.

Baum contributes to the show a series of airy faceted glass sculptures which she constructed as form-fitting reliquaries for stones and other objects. The glass gems are supported by complex, doweled wooden mounts that become part of the artwork. For Baum, the rocks she has collected connect with the moment of creation – the edge between the existence and non-existence of the physical universe, between the realm of matter and the spiritual domain. They also speak with compassion and humor to the futility she perceives in humanity’s need for physical proof of a reality that is fundamentally intangible and beyond comprehension. If proof is elusive, the imaging itself is essential for Baum, who quotes artist Graham Harman: “The world is not the world as manifest to humans; to think a reality beyond our thinking is not nonsense, but obligatory.”

Baum is a lover of fantasy literature. Her preciousness and humor are informed by the childlike wonder and moral seriousness of J.R.R. Tolkien’s *The Hobbit*. The labyrinths, mirrors, dream characters and riddles of Jorge Luis Borges kindled her sense of whimsy and mystery. And Italo Calvino, particularly in *Invisible Cities*, where many different worlds touch, inspired her sense of possibility and alternative realities.

In the drawings and dioramas of artist Jim Doran, a guide is waiting to lead us to the alternative world he contemplates: Charon, the ferryman of Hades from Greek mythology, who carries the newly departed across the rivers Styx and Acheron into the underworld. Charon takes the form of a giant skeleton reminiscent of Japanese woodblock prints by Utagawa Kuniyoshi and other Ukiyo-e artists. Alternatively, Doran’s own skeleton alter-ego leads us on a light-hearted, comic-book-style day-in-the-(after)-life adventure. In the wall-sized visual narrative *What Happens When You Die*,

the world beyond the veil turns out to be as tedious, frustrating and perilous as earthly existence can be. On the other bony hand, it offers the promise of joyful reunification with lost loved ones, including pets.

Across the room, the towering four horsemen of the apocalypse keep a vacant eye trained on the gallery door. Portrayed in spiffy black suits, they are – as from the Book of Revelation – War, Famine, Pestilence and Death. Visitors fortunate enough to sneak a peek at closing time may see Death glowing in the dark. Along with Doran’s major new wall-sized drawings, the exhibition also includes some of his tiny paper scenes on similar themes, constructed in repurposed tins from fish, tea and mints. Skeletal lovers, once separated, are reunited. Frida Kahlo rides a praying mantis sidesaddle, “as one does” per the artist’s blog.

Farrar shares Doran’s artistic interest in mortality. Her sculptures evoke the simultaneous experiences of gain (knowledge, skills, stories) and loss (ability, memory, time). Life and death double back on one another. Non-being inhabits our being and consciousness, rather than existing outside of our life and opposing it.

Farrar’s work includes monochromatic assemblages in which everyday objects are bound together with sisal twine and unified with a thick application of matte black paint. Imposing pieces from her *Ladders* series lean against the wall, leaving us to check our own compulsions or despair like the climbers in Samuel Beckett’s story, *The Lost Ones*.

Interspersed among them are select *Monopoles*, evocative of both ritual staffs and carved wooden grave markers. Each piece has its own identity for the artist, and most are given a human name although they have no direct connection to a specific person. Pedestal pieces from Farrar’s *Singularities* series incorporate more expressly symbolic elements such as a skull, chalice and hourglass, as seen in Dutch vanitas still life paintings. These works are themselves painterly and yet exquisitely resolved in three dimensions. While austere at first glance, Farrar’s sculptures also serve as playful picture puzzles as viewers discern their component parts.

Literary influences in Farrar’s work include the contemporary Spanish author Enrique Vila-Matas and Chilean novelist Roberto Bolaño whose non-linear

narratives of bohemian poets are critical of society. A character in Bolaño’s *The Savage Detectives* claims that “I saw our struggles and dreams all tangled up in the same failure and that failure was called joy.” Within the artful snares of Farrar’s sculptures, joy may lurk as well.

All three of these challenging, visionary artists make vital use of humble, quotidian, often overlooked materials. Discarded packaging and spoons (Doran); rocks, shards of glass, wood and dirt (Baum); and twine, brooms and “the stuff my friend found cleaning out her garage” (Farrar) saturate their work. This tactic calls to mind the last stanza of William Butler Yeats’s great poem, *The Circus Animals’ Desertion*. Yeats claims that all masterful poetry has humble origins: “A mound of refuse or the sweepings of a street/Old kettles, old bottles and a broken can/Old iron, old bones, old rags ... I must lie down where all the ladders start/In the foul rag and bone shop of the heart.”

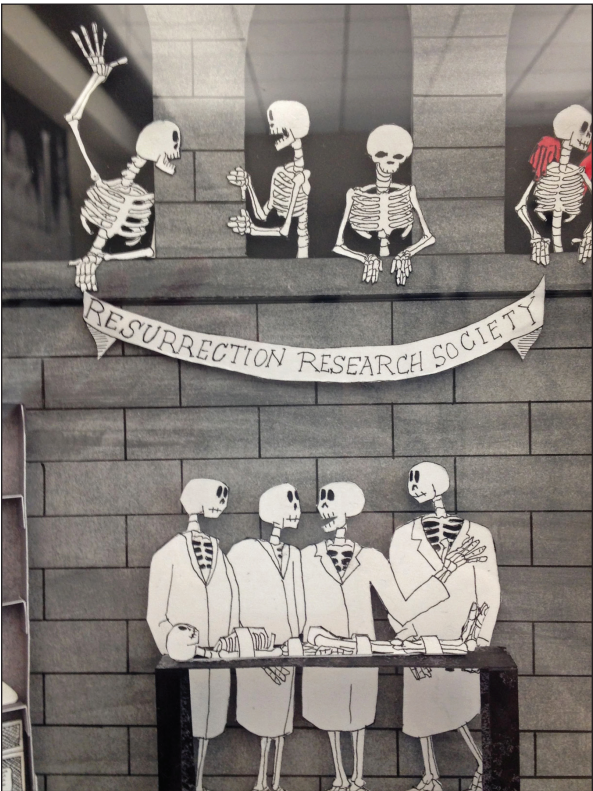
Where Two Worlds Touch: Sculpture and Drawing by Mary Baum, Jim Doran and Annie Farrar is on view through October 28 at the Community Center. The art gallery is open daily when not reserved. During Labor Day weekend, the exhibition will be open Saturday and Sunday, 1 to 6 p.m. and Monday, 1 to 4 p.m. For additional information, call 301-397-2208. Greenbelt Arts programs are supported in part by the Maryland State Arts Council.



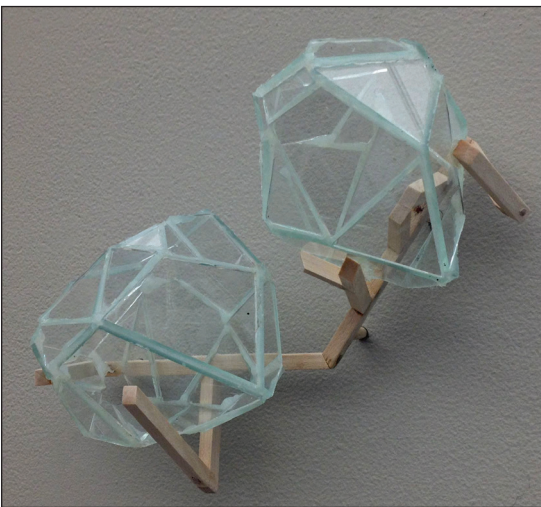
Christine McElroy with Jim Doran’s drawing “What Happens When You Die” (detail)



Three sculptures by Annie Farrar: “Erin”, “Ladder” and “Roberto”



Diorama by Jim Doran: “Resurrection Research Society” (detail)



Sculpture by Mary Baum: “Where Two Worlds Touch”

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